

1   **Abstract of the Invention**

2         The present invention provides a printing and dispensing  
3         bonusing system for electronic gaming devices, particularly a  
4         casino gaming device, which includes at least one detection device  
5         which is adapted for connection to an electronic apparatus, the  
6         detection device operative to detect selected event occurrences on  
7         an electronic apparatus and output event occurrence notification  
8         signals upon detection of an event. An event detection sampling  
9         device is connected in information transmission connection with the  
10        detection device, the event detection sampling device operative to  
11        detect and receive event occurrence notification signals from the  
12        detection devices, analyze the received event occurrence  
13        notification signals and output event occurrence information  
14        signals including information specifying selected event  
15        occurrences. Connected in information transmission connection with  
16        the event detection sampling device is an event occurrence  
17        information signal computing device which is operative to receive  
18        and analyze the event occurrence information signals output by the  
19        event detection sampling device and upon detection of selected  
20        event occurrence information signals, output command signals for  
21        initiating operation of at least one bonus printing and dispensing  
22        device connected thereto, independent of a standard output device  
23        of the electronic gaming device and operative to accept command  
24        signals from the computing device and to print and dispense bonus  
25        information and awards resulting from selected combinations being  
26        produced by the electronic gaming device whereby an operator/player  
27        of the electronic gaming device is awarded selected bonus items and  
28        awards.